

Commission on Disabilities  
Agenda  
June 13, 2024

1. Call to Order: Time:
2. Roll Call: Giuseppe Gianino, Taylor Johnson, Aron Shutran, Rita Shutran
3. Approval of Agenda:
  - A. As Written: Second
  - B. As Amended: Second
4. Approval of Minutes Date:
  - A. As Written: Second
  - B. As Amended: Second
5. New Business
  - A. Meeting (sub Quorum) May 23, 2024 RE: Plans for new Courthouse
    - 1.) Henry Pittner from BKV Group, Rita & Aron Shutran, Annette Garret-Ross & Caitlin Murphy attending.
    - 2.) Entrance for people with disabilities close to door & ground level. Mr. Pittner explained 2 issues. a. there can only be one public entrance to a court building; b. there must be 75' from door to parking lot.
  - B. Concerns RE: wheel chair ramp being so long and the height creating a hardship for people in wheel chairs. Rita Shutran suggested, a wheel chair lift. It can be next to stairs installed into the embankment, and a security code furnished by court clerk. Aron Shutran suggested a patio at top of hill for the person in the wheel chair to exit lift, turn right and turn toward door at walk way level. Both suggestions were well received.

- C. Mr. Pittner demonstrated the accommodations currently on the plans including the width of the hallways, the doors in restrooms, the doors throughout the building, quiet/mom rooms (for moms who need to nurse their baby, and for people on the AI spectrum etc.), level of counters in the court rooms and clerk offices, rooms for service dogs and accommodations, and more.
- D. We discussed the needs to accommodate people with sight impairments and suggested contacting the Bureau of Service for Blind Persons as a resource for advice on how to accommodate people with sight impairments.
- E. Other resources discussed;
  - 1.) Job Accessibility Network (JAN)
  - 2.) Bureau of Services for Blind Persons
  - 3.) Michigan Rehab Services
  - 4.) Windmills training to train staff
- F. Ms. Garrett-Ross wants another meeting to continue discussing the plans. Rita Shutran would like to have the meeting in person with the plans presented to persons present.

## 6. Old Business

A. Mayor Stone is open to discussing the continued trainings, resources to improve city services and buildings in Warren, etc.

B. Sent information RE: resource Bureau of Services for Blind Persons to help with making city website more user friendly for people with sight impairments.

C. Pictures of the Michelangelo, and Magellan computers for people with sight impairments for the library. Commission suggests the main library have the equipment, due to the expense.

7. Miscellaneous

8. Audience Participation

9. Motion to Adjourn: Time

Second